

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PINS, KS  
SUBJ: MARCH 1 MEETING WITH KNCC

REF: SEOUL 1596 (DTG 270835Z FEB 78)

1. APPROXIMATELY 300 PEOPLE ATTENDED ONE-HOUR MEETING HELD AT KNCC HEADQUARTERS MARCH 1. WIRE SERVICE STRINGERS ATTENDING MEETING AND EMBASSY OBSERVER NOTED ABSENCE OF MANY PROMINENT DISSIDENTS. NUMEROUS UNIFORMED AND PLAINCLOTHES POLICE WERE STATIONED OUTSIDE BUILDING. AT CONCLUSION OF MEETING, ATTENDEES LEFT BUILDING AND DISPERSED WITHOUT INCIDENT -- NONE WERE DETAINED OR TAKEN INTO CUSTODY. ONE INDIVIDUAL, TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED ONLY AS MINISTER NAMED "KANG," WAS REPORTEDLY TAKEN AWAY IN POLICE CAR BEFORE MEETING BEGAN AFTER SHOUTING SOMETHING ON STREET.

2. TWO-PAGE STATEMENT WAS ISSUED BY REV KIM KWAN-SUK, SIGNED  
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BY HIM ONLY ON BEHALF OF KNCC. STATEMENT DID NOT DIRECTLY ATTACK YUSHIN, PRESIDENT, OR CALL FOR REPEAL OF EM-9; RATHER, CALLED FOR RESTORATION OF FREEDOM, DEMOCRACY, AND RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS.

3. TONE OF MEETING APPEARED QUIET AND NUMBER OF ATTENDEES FELL FAR SHORT OF DISSIDENTS HOPES. STERN

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## Message Attributes

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